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<b>INTRODUCTION &amp; BACKGROUND</b>	
<b>Executive Summary</b>	
<p><b>NPU Purpose/Scope</b></p> <p>The Broadview / Bitter Lake / Haller Lake BBH community finished their neighborhood plan in 1999.</p> <p>BBH area has experienced change, including new apartment developments, the opening of an expanded library, open space investments, and improvements to promote better drainage, and new bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Between 1995 and 2008 the Bitter Lake Urban Village grew by 1,204 housing units – mostly apartments along Linden Ave N.</li> <li>City began work in 2009 on work to design and construct a "complete street" project on Linden Ave N.</li> <li>King County Metro's Rapid Ride Bus service is scheduled to begin in 2013.</li> </ul> <p>In other ways, community members note, the area hasn't changed enough.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Arterials without sidewalks, bike lanes and stormwater facilities</li> <li>Aurora Ave N. street improvements on hold</li> <li>Development is not creating the desired "town center"</li> </ul> <p>Many felt it was time to assess the strengths of the original plan, affirm goals that are still relevant, and identify new goals where appropriate. In 2010, following an assessment of the status of neighborhood plans throughout the City, the Mayor and City Council initiated an update for this plan. This document articulates community goals so that the City, developers and neighborhood residents can all work together to bring about the neighborhood vision.</p>	<p><b>Urban Village Strategy</b></p> <p>In the 1990s, community members from 38 neighborhoods across the city created a 20-year vision for how each of their neighborhoods would grow. This work was done as part of the Seattle Comprehensive Plan, a citywide effort that sought to "preserve the best quality of Seattle's distinct neighborhoods while responding positively and creatively to the pressures of change and growth." The Neighborhood Plans developed strategies to ensure that the creative response to growth was informed by both City expertise and local knowledge and priority-setting.</p> <p>In the decade after the plans were completed, there have been significant changes in Seattle and its neighborhoods, including growth in housing, and major investments in public amenities. Also, during this time the population of the city also greatly diversified. In 2008, the Mayor and City Council recognized the need to revisit the plans through broad and inclusive discussions with the community, including new strategies for civic engagement.</p> <p><b>1999 BBH Plan Goals (Link):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sewer and stormwater infrastructure;</li> <li>Pedestrian circulation, bicycle circulation, vehicle circulation and mass transit;</li> <li>Neighborhood "town Center" along Linden Ave N.</li> <li>Public Safety; and</li> <li>Natural environment.</li> </ul> <p><b>Map of Urban Village</b></p> <p><b>Document organization</b></p>
<p><b>Healthy Living Assessment</b></p> <p>The City received a Public Health Seattle King County Communities Putting Prevention to Work grant to incorporate health into neighborhood</p>	<p><b>Examples of health indicators</b></p>



<p>planning through a Healthy Living Assessment (HLA) tool. The HLA tool consists of three primary elements: key health indicators that can be used to track health over time; neighborhood survey that collects information about elements that shape the health of a community; and neighborhood discussions that inform and gather information about the community health.</p>	
<p><b>What we Heard</b></p> <p>Over the past 16 month, new neighbors and new voices joined those who participated ten years ago. Together, community members discussed what they value in the neighborhood, and outlined their shared goals and ideas about how to achieve those goals.</p> <p>Over the course of the past year, a broad cross section of community members engaged in the update through both innovative and time-tested tools. From hands-on workshops and smaller-scale interactive meetings with community-based organizations, to online updates and questionnaires, neighbors used a variety of ways to be involved. This broad engagement and detailed recording of community comments throughout the process created ongoing transparency that serves as the underpinning of this update to the BBH Neighborhood Plan.</p> <p>The BBH Neighborhood Advisory Committee (NAC), worked with City staff to assess and address those conditions that have changed since the 1999 Plan, and engage the wider community, review community input, and help form recommendations that balance all community interests.</p>	<p><b>NAC</b> The Neighborhood Advisory Committee (NAC) is a representative group of community members who are passionate about their community and understand the importance of engaging others in the update.</p> <p><b>Community Engagement</b> Phase 1 March - May 2011 Phase 2 June - August 2011 Phase 3 November 2011</p> <p><b>Planning Outreach Liaisons (POLs)</b> Reaching a broad range of those who live and work in BBH, including those who have been historically underrepresented in the planning process, was a primary objective of the update. Bicultural and/or bilingual POLs connected with the traditionally underrepresented elderly, youth, Hispanic and apartment-based communities at XX workshops.</p> <p><b>Key information from Status Report Pictures from events</b></p>
<p><b>Vision</b></p> <p>BBH is an identifiable, interconnected and resilient community of diverse households, supported by strong social organizations and services. The neighborhood provides access to resources necessary to live a healthy life.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Strong Community... Connections</li> <li>• Natural Beauty... Visual character, drainage</li> <li>• Linden Ave Town Center...</li> <li>• Balanced Transportation ... Complete Streets and Aurora Ave</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Summary of Key Priorities</b></p> <p>Complete Streets: Priorities and guidance for creating a network of "complete streets:"</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Complete Streets</u>: Strategies to increase connections among community members; promoting a sense of place and a healthy environment.</li> <li>• <u>Aurora Ave N</u>: A plan that provides the basis for design and reconstruction of Aurora Ave N., as well as a land use and urban</li> </ul>	<p>Overall Urban Design Graphic NP key strategies</p>

<p>design strategy that addresses the future of this important corridor.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Linden Avenue Town Center</u>: Elements of an "Urban Design Framework" to create a neighborhood "center" along Linen Ave, and increase the vitality of the Greenwood Ave. retail nodes</li> <li>• <u>Community Connections</u>: An identifiable, interconnected and resilient community that contains diverse households, supported by strong social organizations and services.</li> </ul>	
<b>GOALS &amp; STRATEGIES</b>	
This section of the Update brings the vision down to specific things the community and City can do to preserve, enhance and improve the day-to-day life of community members.	
<b>Linden Ave Town Center</b>	
<p>Linden Ave. N. is the community's "town Center," located along a promenade extending from the Interurban Trail to the City limits.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Goals</li> <li>• Strategies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Urban Design Framework Plan (Uses, Design Qualities &amp; Scale, Streetscape and Circulation, Open Space)</li> <li>○ Land use regulations</li> <li>○ Market Strategies</li> <li>○ Economic Development</li> <li>○ Community Identity</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>Town Ctr. Key Directions  Town Ctr. Land Use  Town Center Character</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elevations/cross sections</li> <li>• Street level view(s)</li> </ul> <p>Town Ctr. Streetscape  Town Ctr. Urban Design</p>
<b>Complete Streets</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Goals</li> <li>• Strategies for 3<sup>rd</sup>, Greenwood, Meridian, 125<sup>th</sup>, 130<sup>th</sup> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Classifications</li> <li>○ Objectives</li> <li>○ Deficiencies</li> <li>○ Key Streets Cross sections</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Funding</li> <li>• Drainage</li> </ul>	<p>SDOT definition of Complete Streets</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Before/after Linden Ave</li> <li>• Key Street Legend</li> <li>• Cross sections</li> </ul>
<b>Development of "local" street improvements</b>	
<b>Create walkable places (commercial development, parks and schools)</b>	
<b>Provide robust transit service</b>	
<b>Aurora Ave N</b>	
<p>Improve Aurora Ave N to support pedestrians, transit and auto access, enabling it to be a backbone of a "complete street" network. Strengthen Aurora Ave N as a regional commercial center and source of jobs, while enhancing its fit with surrounding communities, and its ability to support transit, pedestrians, and automobiles.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Goals</li> <li>• Strategies</li> </ul>	



<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Advocate for an Aurora Ave N. Corridor Plan that integrates street design, transit planning and land use.</li> <li>o Fund design and construction of the Aurora Ave N Improvements</li> <li>o Build on the regional market focus and employment potential, balancing auto access with transit and walking.</li> <li>o Engage the business and residential communities.</li> </ul>	
<b>Community Building</b>	
<p>An identifiable, interconnected and resilient community that contains diverse households, supported by strong social organizations and services.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Goals</li> <li>• Strategies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Community networks (organizations, micro-hood projects)</li> <li>o Public Safety</li> <li>o Neighborhood Business nodes</li> <li>o Communitywide identity and events</li> <li>o Parks &amp; gathering spaces</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
<b>Utility Services</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Green infrastructure</li> <li>• Local Improvement Districts (LIDs) to funds for improvements.</li> <li>• "Late-comer" fees</li> <li>• Integrate infrastructure and street investment</li> <li>• Prioritize sidewalk</li> </ul>	
<b>APPENDICES</b>	
• NPU Goals and Policies – Comparison of 1999 to proposed NPU	
• NPU Work Plan – Next steps and priorities	
• Linden Ave Real Estate Economics Report	
• Public Engagement – Summary	
• Status Report	
• HLA Indicators	
• Complete Streets Checklists – Possible ?	